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COUNTRY: LAOS

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN PILOTS IMPRISONED IN A CAVE IN
HOUA PHAN PROVINCE

ACQ LAOS, VIENTIANE (17 MAY 1968)

SOURCE:

1. ON 1 APRIL 1968 SOME AMERICAN PILOTS WERE IMPRISONED
IN A CAVE AT VH 196557 BETWEEN BAN NAKAY NEUA (VH 1957)
AND BAN NAKAY TEO (VH 1955) IN HOUA PHAN PROVINCE. THE CAVE WAS
ABOUT 500 METERS FROM A WELL-TRAVELED ROAD THAT RAN BETWEEN THE

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TWO VILLAGES. THE CAVE WAS AT THE END OF A TRAIL THAT SEPARATED FROM THE ROAD AND WOUND PAST A TEN-FOOT WATERFALL THAT HAD A POOL OF POTABLE WATER AT ITS BASE. IT WAS 30 TO 40 FEET ABOVE THE ROAD THAT RAN BETWEEN THE VILLAGES. THE HEADQUARTERS OF GENERAL KAISON SISAVAT, THE PATHET LAO COMMANDER FOR HOUA PHAN PROVINCE, WAS ABOUT ONE KILOMETER NORTH OF THE CAVE.

2. [REDACTED] DISSEM: STATE ARMY AIR USAMCV 7TH AIR FORCE CINCPAC
PACFLT ARPAC PACAF [REDACTED]
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